

Parallel Primary Sources for Enhancing STEM Experiences



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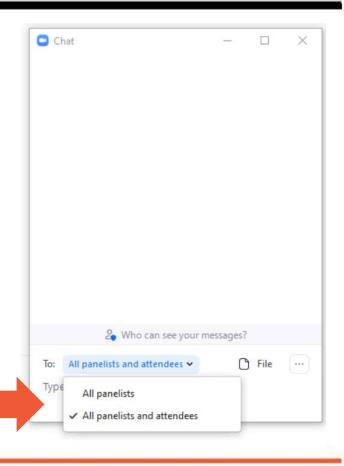


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Welcome!

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Objectives

- □ Connect historical documents to STEM topics, using the Observe-Reflect-Question protocol
- □ Use parallel primary sources to observe a phenomenon from multiple perspectives



Parallel Primary Sources

- Primary sources about the same or similar topics
- That provide opportunities for close examination of multiple items to make comparisons
- Focusing on multiple perspectives



Community Response to Disasters

using Parallel Primary Sources







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About this Item

Title

Contributor Names

Highsmith, Carol M., 1946-, photographer

Created / Published

2006 April 13.



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Title

Barber Shop located in Ninth Ward, New Orleans, Louisiana, damaged by Hurricane Katrina in 2005 "We will rise" mural detail celebrating Puerto Rico after the 2017 Hurricane Maria. 719 Bruckner Blvd., Bronx. By Tats Cru, 2018

Contributor Names

Vergara, Camilo J., photographer

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September 29, 2020.





Side by Side Comparisons

- Primary source analysis
- Two different perspectives
- Thinking Routine: Compare and Contrast
- Multidisciplinary approach







The Johnstown Calamity
A slightly damaged house.

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Spot the Difference

- Take a look at the photos side by side can you spot the differences between the two photographs?
- Feel free to toggle back and forth with the slides shared in the chat
- Which photo was taken first? What evidence do you have?





Scenery. American TO Gems Barker's Stereoscopic



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Teaching the Fossil Record

- Fossils are like snapshot in time
- Scientists work together to determine the order in which these "photographs" are taken
- As new "photos" are added to the fossil record, we have a better understanding about the sequence of events at different moments in time







Side by Side Comparisons

- Primary source analysis
- Same perspective
- Thinking Routine: Sequencing
- Nature of Science
- Content Connection: Earth Science, Evolution



Observe Reflect Question





Observe Reflect Question

Zoom in to show additional detail and prompt new thinking.

The tiniest particle of Radium throws off a continuous stream of Energy Rays. An Energy never diminishing, never ceasing, day or night, year in, year out. A force a million times more powerful than any other known.

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Source #2





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Zoom out to show additional detail and prompt new thinking.





The Times-News

Largest Daily Circulation of Any Newspaper in North Carolina in Proportion to Population

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1938

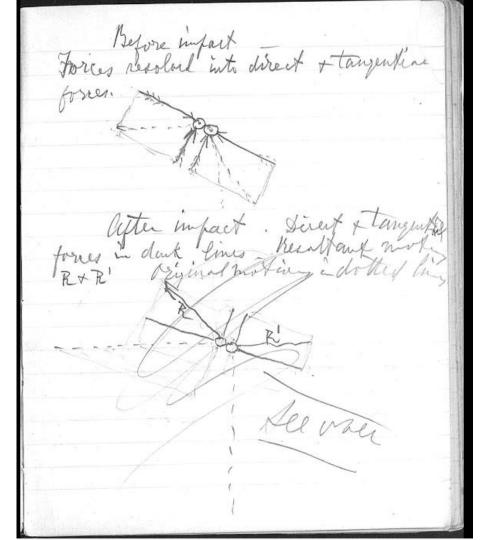
Hearing a doctor testify that she was certain to die from effects of radium poisoning, Mrs. Catherine Donohue collapsed, right, as four other women, above, also believed victims of the "living death," fearfully looked on in a courtroom at Ottawa, Ill. Mrs. Donohue, who now weighs only 70 pounds, told an arbiter for the Illinois Industrial Commission that her superiors in a radium watch dial plant at Ottawa said to her in 1931, "Your limping will cause talk. We're sorry, you'll have to go." Along with 13 other women, she seeks compensation for incapacities attributed to work with radium in the factory. Nine women already have died. The young women in the above pictures are Frances O'Connell, Margaret Glacinski, Helen Munch, and Marie Rossiter.

Sequenced Comparisons

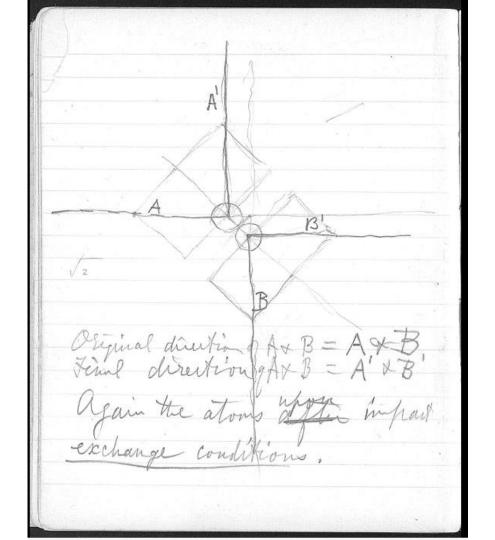
- Primary source analysis
- Change in perspectives
- Nature of Science
- Content Connection: Chemistry, Biology



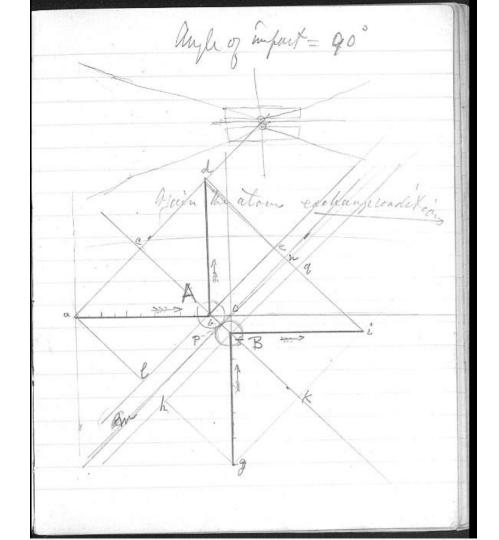
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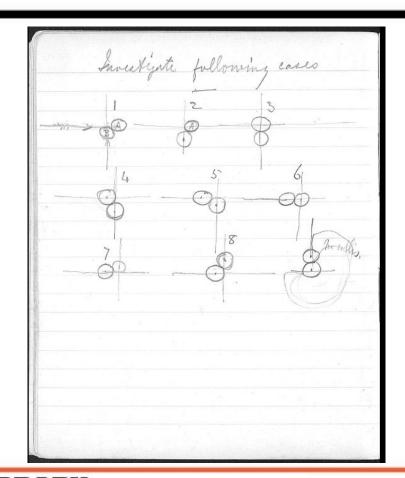
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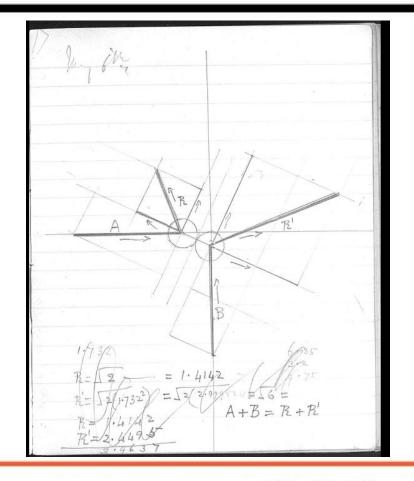


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Sequenced Comparisons

- Primary source analysis
- Evolving perspective
- Nature of STEM
- Content Connection: Physics, Engineering, Math



Summary

- → The Observe-Reflect-Question protocol invites students to engage with primary sources, and connects STEM ideas across the curriculum.
- → Parallel Primary Sources provide multiple and evolving perspectives for students to ...
 - compare, contrast, and sequence ideas
 - understand the nature of STEM fields



Thank you!

For joining us today and sticking with your students these last two years!

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- Library of Congress: https://loc.gov/
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- Teacher Resources: https://www.loc.gov/programs/teachers
- Teacher Blog: http://blogs.loc.gov/teachers/

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Resources

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 - "We will rise" mural: https://www.loc.gov/item/2020637196/
- Slightly Damaged House
 - Image #1: https://www.loc.gov/resource/stereo.1s09424/
 - Image #2: https://www.loc.gov/resource/ppmsca.51087/
 - Image #3: https://historicpittsburgh.org/islandora/object/pitt%3A20190919-hpjaha-0031
- Radium
 - And Beauty: https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/sn83030214/1918-11-10/ed-1/seq-54/
 - Poisoning: https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/sn86063811/1938-02-14/ed-1/seq-1/
- Alexander Graham Bell Notebook
 - Image 34: https://www.loc.gov/resource/magbell.29800101/?sp=34
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